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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Gladyshev et al.

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For: MAMMALIAN SELENOPROTEIN DIFFERENTIALLY EXPRESSED IN TUMOR

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the specification:

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Page 1, line 4, after the title please insert the following:

## -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation of PCT/US99/07560 filed April 6, 1999, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/080,850, filed April 6, 1998, both of which are incorporated by reference. --

Please amend the claims as follows. For the examiner's convenience, claims that have not been amended are also shown, and are denoted as reiterated.

## In the claims:

1. (Amended) A purified peptide comprising at least 5 consecutive amino acids of an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of [Seq. I.D. Nos.] <u>SEQ ID NOS</u>: 1, 4, and 9.